



AN ACT REQUIRING THE ITEMIZATION OF EXPENDITURES MADE TO CONSULTANTS, ADVERTISING AGENCIES, POLLING FIRMS, OR OTHER PERSONS; AND AMENDING SECTION 13-37-230, MCA.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 13-37-230, MCA, is amended to read:

"13-37-230. Disclosure of expenditures made. ~~(1) Each~~ Except as provided in subsection (3), each report required by this chapter ~~shall~~ must disclose the following information, ~~except that a candidate shall only be required to report the information specified in this section if the transactions involved were undertaken for the purpose of influencing an election:~~

~~(1)(a)~~ (a) the full name and mailing address (occupation and the principal place of business, if any) of each person to whom expenditures have been made by the committee or candidate during the reporting period, including the amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure and the total amount of expenditures made to each person;

~~(2)(b)~~ (b) the full name and mailing addresses (occupation and the principal place of business, if any) of each person to whom an expenditure for personal services, salaries, and reimbursed expenses have been made, including the amount, date, and purpose of that expenditure and the total amount of expenditures made to each person;

~~(3)(c)~~ (c) the total sum of expenditures made by a political committee or candidate during the reporting period;

~~(4)(d)~~ (d) the name and address of each political committee or candidate to which the reporting committee or candidate made any transfer of funds, together with the amount and dates of all transfers;

~~(5)(e)~~ (e) the name of any person to whom a loan was made during the reporting period, including the full name and mailing address (occupation and principal place of business, if any) of that person, and the full name and mailing address (occupation and principal place of business, if any) of the endorers, if any, and the date and amount of each loan;

~~(6)(f)~~ the amount and nature of debts and obligations owed by a political committee or candidate in the form prescribed by the commissioner; and

~~(7)(g)~~ other information that may be required by the commissioner to fully disclose the disposition of funds used to support or oppose candidates or issues.

(2) Reports of expenditures made to a consultant, advertising agency, polling firm, or other person that performs services for or on behalf of a candidate or political committee must be itemized and described in sufficient detail to disclose the specific services performed by the entity to which payment or reimbursement was made.

(3) A candidate is required to report the information specified in this section only if the transactions involved were undertaken for the purpose of influencing an election."

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I hereby certify that the within bill,
HB 0146, originated in the House.

Chief Clerk of the House

Speaker of the House

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2009.

President of the Senate

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2009.

HOUSE BILL NO. 146

INTRODUCED BY G. MACLAREN

BY REQUEST OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLITICAL PRACTICES

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